

This Christmas Card Was Written 500 Years Before Christmas.



About 500 years before Jesus' birth, the prophet Micah wrote that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.* Right where Jesus was born. You know the Christmas carol, "Oh, little town of Bethlehem..."

And do you know who knew of Micah's prophecy? All the religious leaders who advised King Herod. We're told that when Jesus was born, some wise men from the East went to King Herod in Jerusalem. They asked Herod where the Messiah was born, "For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." Herod didn't know. So he gathered all the chief priests and scribes and asked them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet..."

The Old Testament frequently pointed to a coming Messiah. There are over a hundred such prophecies that describe who this Messiah would be and what he would do. Like a prophetic Global Positioning Satellite pointing out the Messiah, the Christ. The amazing thing is that Jesus fulfilled every one of them.

Before the end of the first century countless Jews and Gentiles in the Middle East put their faith in Jesus. This Christmas is a good time for you to look at the life and teachings of Jesus—and decide for yourself. A good place to start is by asking God to reveal the truth to you—He will. Then open to the section of the Bible called "John" and begin reading. If you have questions, contact us at EveryStudent.com.

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* Micah 5:2